



# Post 564 - MISSION CITY NEWS BULLETIN



September 2023

District 13 - Area 2



## First Vice

Hello fellow Legionaries,

Jimshed First Vice here, wanted to report on our current membership drive for the year 2024 we have done excellent so far at 56.6% and still working to reach our goal of 100%. We request all our members to participate and help to get us there. The [mylegion.org](http://mylegion.org) website is a great resource and tool we all can use for American Legion membership, knowledge, and insight. Please use it and share what you have gained with others. Our hearts and minds are with our fellow Americans in Hawaii and Florida, we all want recovery efforts to continue as quickly and safely as possible. Our Post has a few events this month in September, make it out and strengthen our joint efforts of service to our Community, State and Nation. Our monthly meeting is the fourth Friday of every month, so please do attend and participate, it is important to show we have active members doing their part.

We'll have a great September to all.

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### American Legion Officers

Commander: Jonathan Elliott

1st Vice: Jimshed Akhtar

2nd Vice: Tony Guida

3rd Vice: Charles Moore

Finance Officer: Rick Fetro

Judge Advocate: Andy Wen

Sargent at Arms: Ron Souzy

Adjutant: John Carlson

Executive Board

Will Carney

Chuck Macntyre

Ron Souzy

### Auxiliary Officers

President: Faith Thompson

1st Vice: Cece Harvey

Sec./Treasurer: Jennifer Fanucchi

Sargent at Arms: Cathy Spinelli

Executive Committee Members

Mary Hidalgo

### SAL Officers

Commander: Roger Sanford

Adjutant: Ysero Dole

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**At the Post September 15th, Friday night**

**POW/MIA DAY**

**Come and be part of a FireWatch Night with our brothers and sisters to remember the Veterans that gave it ALL**

**Start: 7:30-12:00**

**See you there**

**3rd Vice**

Met with Alex to complete my paperwork for the BSA. Also watching some videos on child and Sexual Abuse and reporting.



**Sons of the American Legion**

I'm working with the sons and I am now the adjutant for the Sons. I would like to thank Jimshed for stepping up as the advisor, for the sons and I'd like to thank John Carlson and Jeff Driskell for all their help also.

Thanks Tony Guida



American Legion Auxiliary

Mission City Unit 564 – September/October 2023

The Department President Glenda's theme for this year, 2023-2024, is "United As One," and California "The Golden State" each program has its title named as follows:

**Unit Leadership – The City of Community Services and Development**

As the Unit 564 Chairman, I will make sure to pass on the information to the members for the upcoming events, the Workshops/Training Clovis was August 12-13 in Clovis, CA; the next is Southern California on September 9 and Northern California on September 23.

In starting this year to UNITE the units, District 13 President Leah Williamson, (aka County Supervisor) is requesting "Assessing Your Unit" questionnaire to be completed by the unit members toward working to improve growth in all areas of this organization; contact the Unit 564 President Faith Thompson (aka Mayor) [faith.thompson@gmail.com](mailto:faith.thompson@gmail.com) if you have any concerns or questions.

**Unit Veterans Affairs and Rehabilitation (VA&R) –The City of Health and Human Services, Administrative Aide**

Working closely with the District Chairman and Administrative Assistant, ensuring The correct information, including materials from the workshop/ training and the department code, is passed on. There is a Wish list for donations to the hospitals, shelter, and community. I advise everyone to visit the department websites and use a tracking sheet to report volunteering hours, money, and miles for this year.

Additionally, this organization has a monthly chart stating each program; for the months,

**September is Music, October is Education, November is Membership, and December is VA&R.** Each chairman acknowledged these months by doing something creative and fun. For more information, go to the department website programs or don't hesitate to contact me, Joyce Henderson McLeod, at [j50mcleod@yahoo.com](mailto:j50mcleod@yahoo.com) or (707) 374-3554.

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## **The American Legion Auxiliary Mission Statement:**

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### **From the Auxiliary President**

Hello to all members! Things are off to a bit of a slow start but I am planning on getting some fundraisers started in the next month and hopefully it will stay at that pace for the rest of the year! A gentle reminder that Auxiliary dues are payable now so if you have not renewed yet please do so. Our annual report was released with our unit's goals so it would be great if we can meet those goals early. I am very fortunate to be working with such an amazing group of women this year and together we will succeed. Just keep in mind change can be a good thing! In his honor,

Faith Thompson Auxiliary President



## **Mission City Charities Bingo**

**Saturday, Sunday, Monday Evening**

**Box Office Opens 4:00 PM**

**Early Bird 6:15 PM**





## Labor Day Party



From John Tao (East Union High School) JROTC

Thank You to the Greatest American Legion Post in the World for your support in the past 9 years. We are eternally grateful



## **Post Finance Officer**

### **Post Members,**

I had the honor and privilege of being elected as an alternate to The American Legion National Convention held in Charlette, N. C. last week. As many delegates were "no shows" all the alternates became regular delegates. You can go on [legion.com](http://legion.com) to get a lot off the particulars and highlights of the

As the finance officer I concentrated and went to meetings regarding finance. I am including the 10-page finance report with my report. On a resolution that was brought to the floor and approved, a \$5.00 increase in per capita dues beginning the 2024 - 2025 year.

Before this years end for the American Legion, we will need to bring to the board and

Rick Fetro

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## **Chaplains Report**

### **Shipmate Henry Pope**

Master Sergeant (retired), proud Veteran of the United States Marine Corps was called

Home on August 18th 2023 in San Jose, Ca.



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